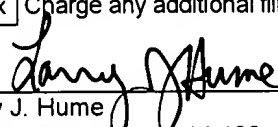
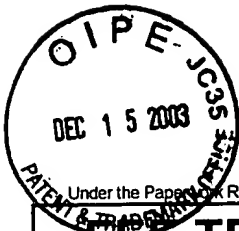


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Docket No. 21547-00280-US		
Application No. 09/936,169-Conf. #9547	Filing Date December 26, 2001	Examiner Candice C. Melson	Art Unit 3732		
Applicant(s): Goran Bjorn et al.					
Invention: SELF-TAPPING IMPLANT					
<p align="center">TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p>					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
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Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x	0.00
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Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within second month					420.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					420.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity					
<input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.					
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<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.					
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 Larry J. Hume Attorney Reg. No.: 44,163			Dated: <u>December 15, 2003</u>		
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

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Multiple Dependent				

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SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 344.00

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
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1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
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1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1808	180	1808	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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Other fee (specify)

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003 (Paper No. 6), the period for response having been extended by two (2) months until December 15, 2003, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include an attached Replacement Sheet.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

Deposit Account authorization for extension of time and excess claim fees has been separately provided.